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MAIN TOPICS

I- Introduction

II- Mechanism Of Action

III- Drug Interactions

IV- Trends

V- At The End

Immunosuppression



I. Introduction



I. Introduction

- **Over the last 15 years, immunosuppressive regimens have changed significantly.**
- **The number of agents available for induction and maintenance therapies have greatly increased.**



I. Introduction: Types

I- Glucocorticoids.

II- Small-molecule drugs:

a) Immunophilin-binding drugs:

- Calcineurin inhibitors:**

- * Cyclophilin-binding drugs: cyclosporine.**

- * FKB12-binding drugs: Tacrolimus.**

- mTOR Inhibitors: SIR, EVR.**

(Pellegrino, Medscape, 2013)



I. Introduction: Types

II- Small-molecule drugs

b) Inhibitors of nucleotide synthesis:

- Purine synthesis (IMDH) inhibitors:

- * Mycophenolate mofetil.**
- * Enteric-coated mycophenolic acid (EC-MFS).**
- * Mizoribine (MZR).**

(Pellegrino, Medscape, 2013)



I. Introduction: Types

II- Small-molecule drugs:

c) Pyrimidine synthesis (DHODH) inhibitors:

- **FK778.**
- **Leflunomide.**
- **Antimetabolites: Azathioprine.**
- **Sphingosine-1-phosphate-receptor antagonists: FTY720.**

(Pellegrino, Medscape, 2013)



I. Introduction: Types

III- Protein drugs

a) Depleting antibodies (against T or B cells, or both):

- Polyclonal antibody: horse or rabbit antithymocyte globulin.
- Mouse monodonal anti-CD3 antibody (muromonab-CD3).
- B-cell-depleting monoclonal anti-CD-20 antibody (rituximab).

(Pellegrino, Medscape, 2013)



I. Introduction: Types

III- Protein drugs:

b) Nondepleting antibodies and fusion proteins:

- **Humanized or chimeric monoclonal anti-CD25 antibody.**
- **Fusion protein with natural binding properties:**
 - * **CTLA4-1g (Belatacept).**

(Pellegrino, Medscape, 2013)



I. Introduction: Types

IV- Intravenous gammaglobulin: IVIG

V- C5 inhibitor: Eculizumab.

VI- Protease inhibitor: Bortezomib.

(Pellegrino, Medscape, 2013)

Immunosuppression



II. Mechanism Of Action



II. Mechanism of action

□ Glucocorticoids:

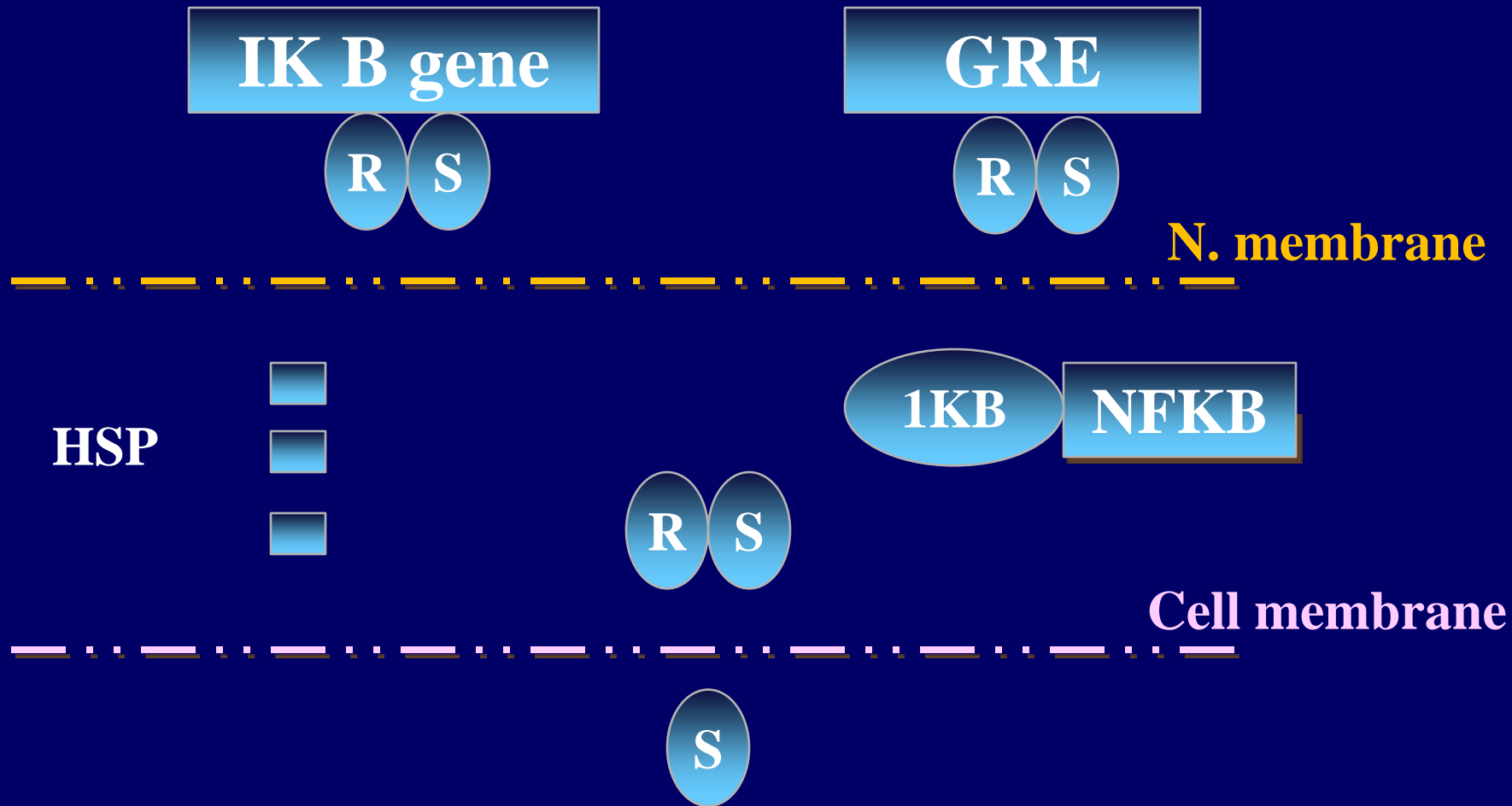
- Complex pharmacology.
- For induction, maintenance and antirejection.
- Prevents production of cytokines, $\text{TNF}\alpha$, IL2, 6, chemokines, prostaglandins, MHC class II and proteases.
- Affect phagocytes and B cells.

(Halloran et al., NEJM, 2004)



II. Mechanism of action

□ Steroid





II. Mechanism of action

□ Azathioprine:

- Inhibits both DNA and RNA synthesis.
- Blocks the production of IL2 in MLR.
- Affects cell mediated and humoral immunity.
- Metabolites excreted in urine (inactive).
- Cross placenta with no significant malformation.
- Concomitant administration of allopurinol:
 - 4 folds increase immunosuppression.
 - 2 folds increase hematologic toxicity.

(Cristelli et al., Transpl Infect Dis, 2013)



II. Mechanism of action

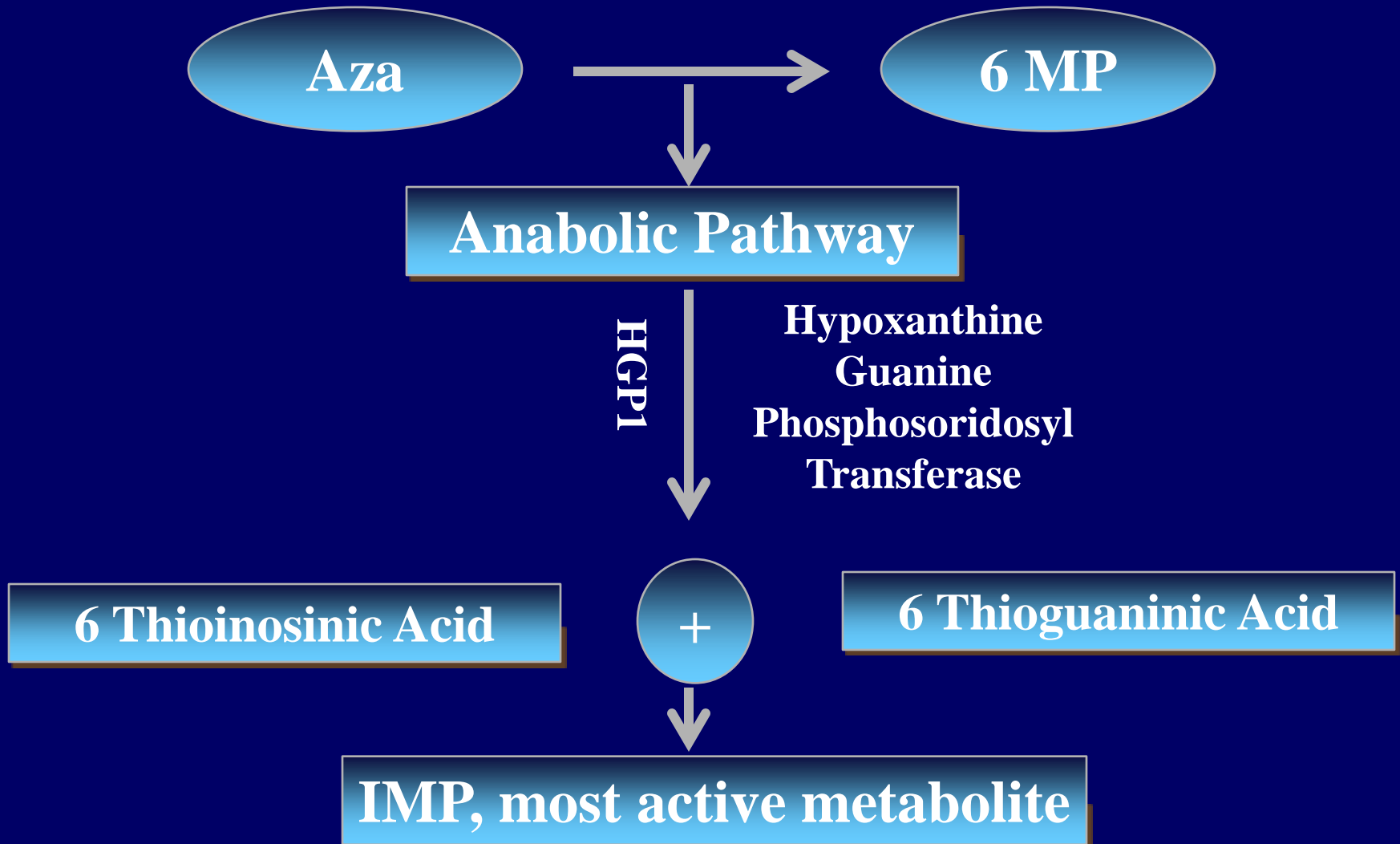
□ Azathioprine:

- Cheap.
- Selective conversion from MPA to Aza after one year is safe even in high risk renal transplant patients.
- Still a viable option for low risk renal transplant patients receiving Tac and P.

(Cristelli et al., Transpl Infect Dis, 2013)



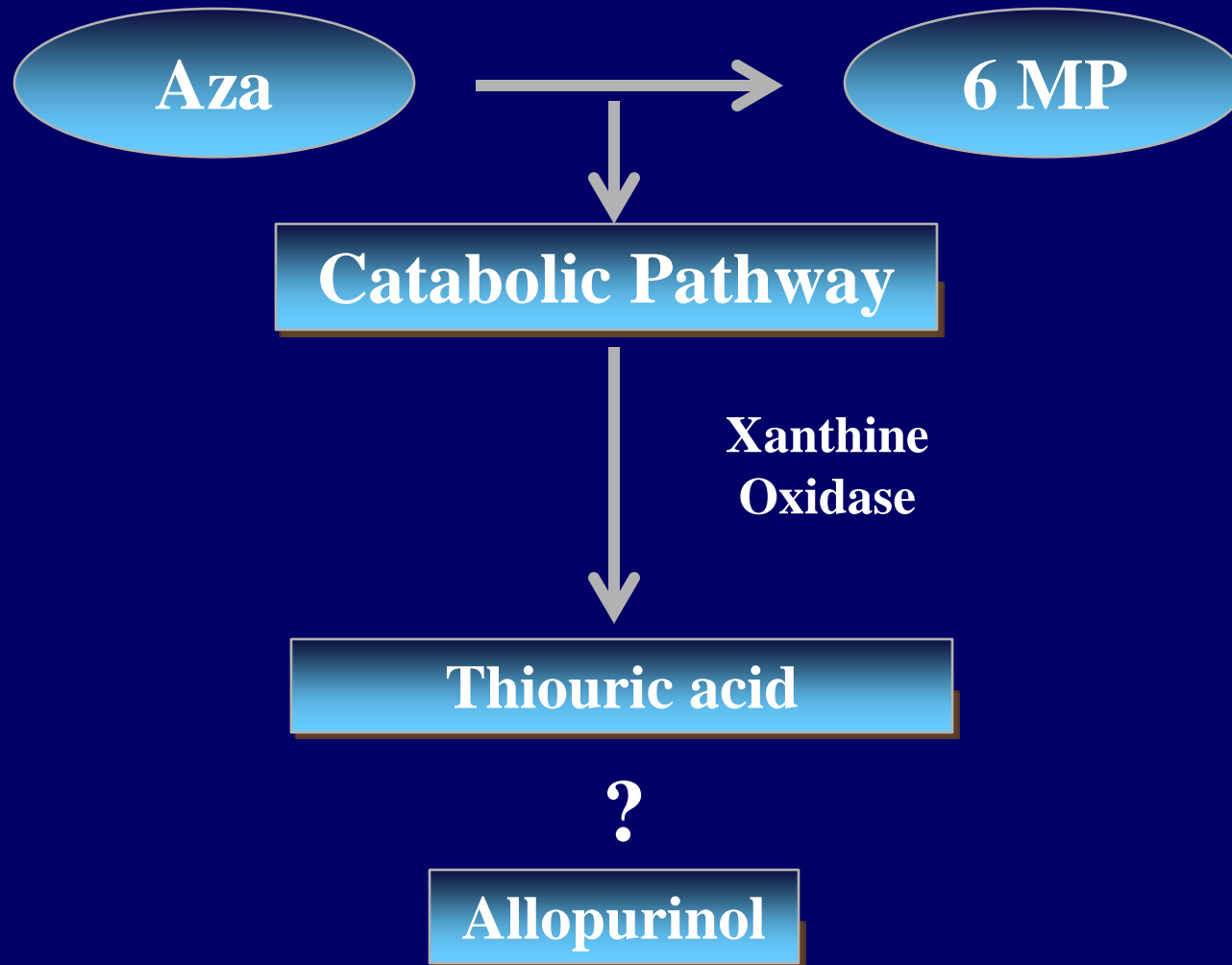
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(Dervieux et al., Br J Clin Pharmacol, 1999)



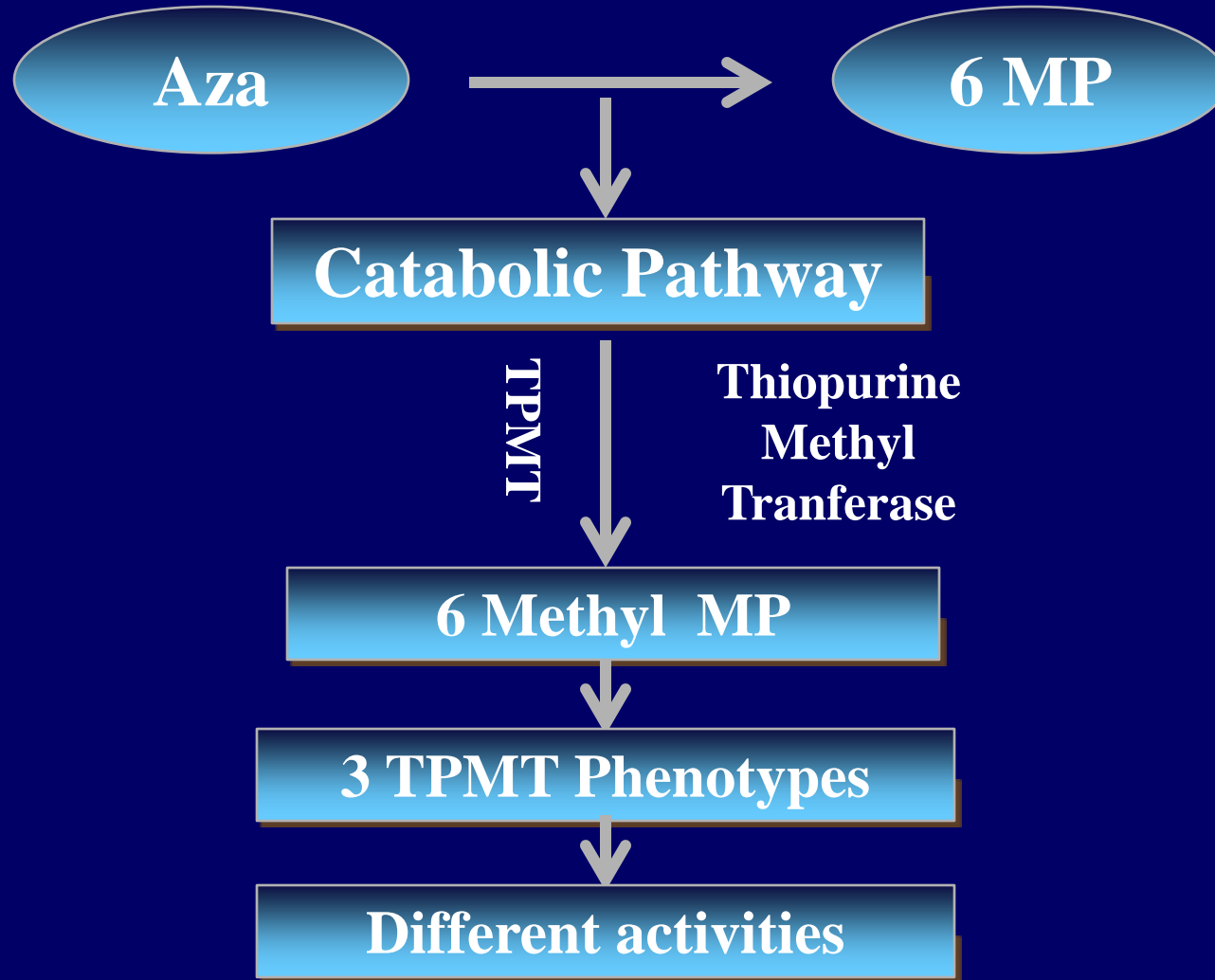
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□MPA:

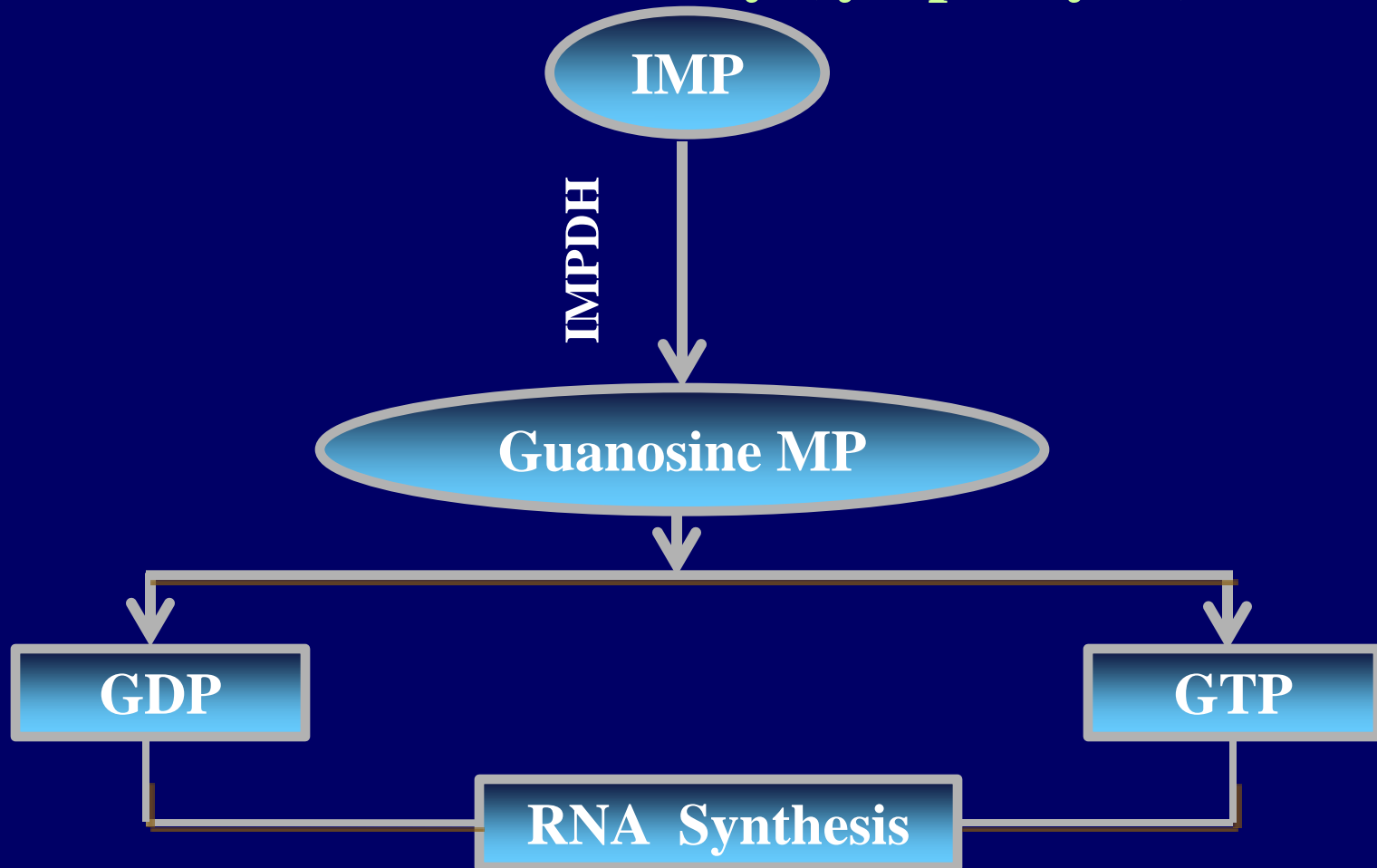
- Inhibits de novo purine synthesis.
- Potent, selective inhibitor of IMPDH.
- Potent cytostatic effect on lymphocytes.
- Selectively inhibits B, T cell proliferation.
- No effect on cytokines associated with early T cell signal transduction (IL1,2).
- Inhibits arterial smooth muscle, fibroblast and endothelial cell proliferation.

(Ting et al., Ther Drug Monit, 2008)



Mechanism of action :MPA

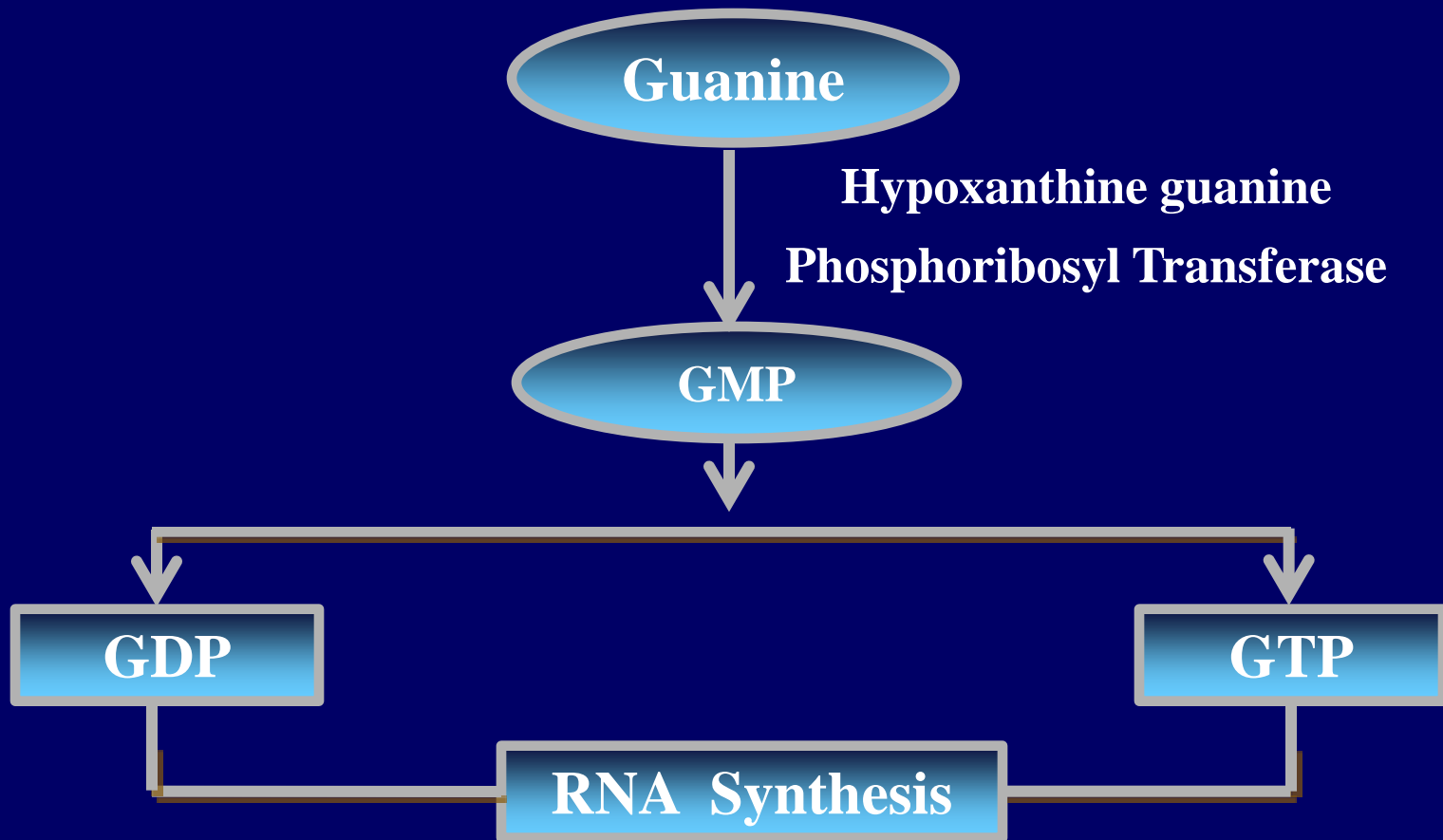
Denovo Pathway (lymphocytes)



(Ronsom, Ther Drug Monit, 1995)



Mechanism of action :MPA **Salvage Pathway (Mammalian cell)**



(Ronsom, Ther Drug Monit, 1995)



II. Mechanism of action

□ Antithymocytic Globulin:

- Decreases number of T cells.
- Decreases proliferative function.
- After treatment:
 - Number increases.
 - Proliferation remained impaired.

(Gharekhani et al., Expert Opin Biol Ther, 2013)



II. Mechanism of action

□ Anti CD25:

- Inhibits IL2 mediated activation of the lymphocytes (important for clonal expansion of T cells).
- High affinity to alpha subunit of IL2R (CD25).

(Ramirez et al., Unit Biol Ther, 2001)



II. Mechanism of action

□ CNIS: Cyclosporine :

- Complete inhibition of ML Reaction.
- Significant inhibition of IL2 production.
- Inhibits the generation of cytotoxic T cells.
- Inhibits IL1, IL3 and gamma interferon.
- Inhibits induction of class II antigen expression.
- Blocks the prolactin binding to its receptors.

(Llaudo et al., Transpl Int, 2013)



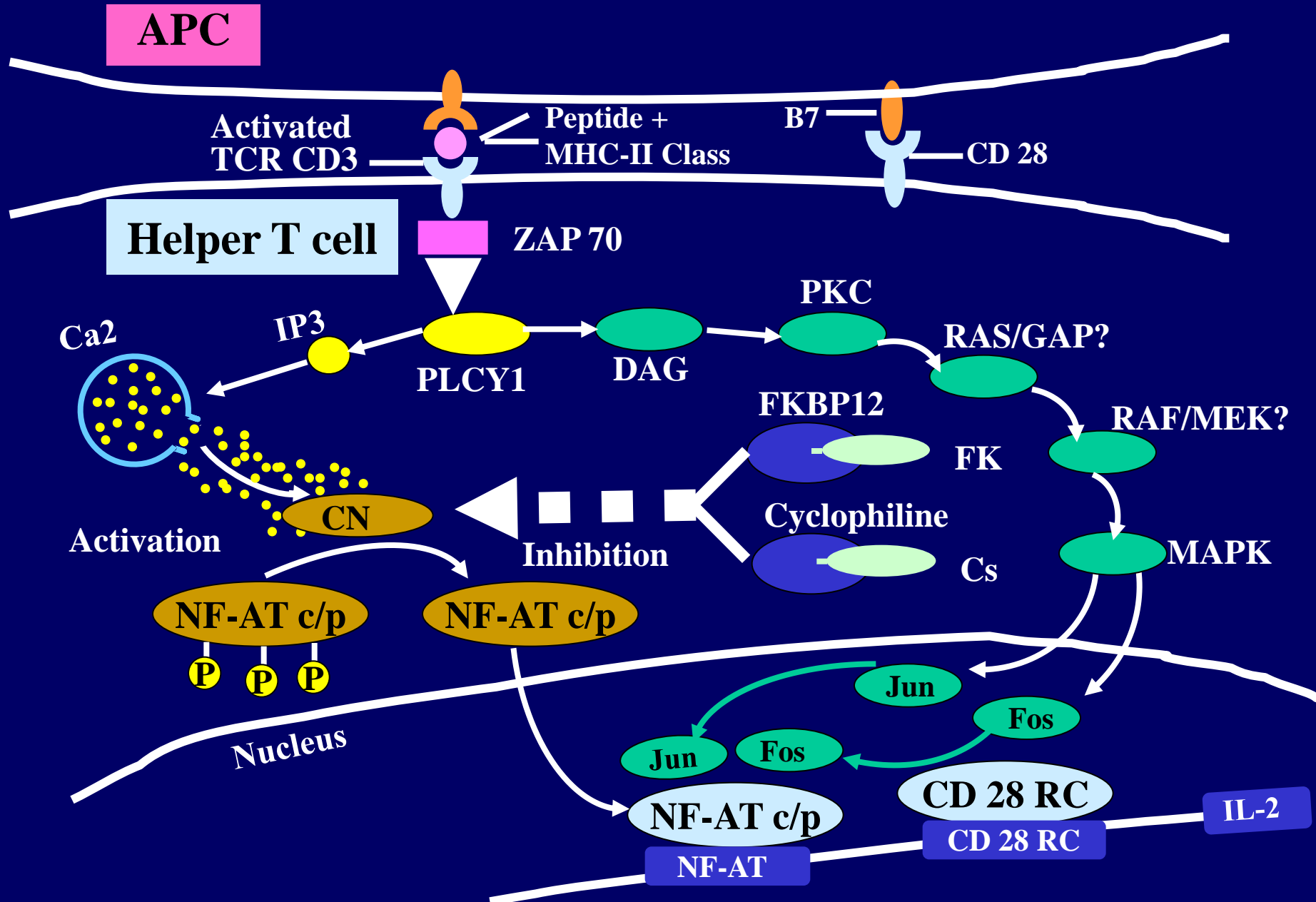
II. Mechanism of action

□ **CNIs: Tac:**

- Most frequent CNI used currently.
- Main metabolic pathway is cytochrome P450 (CYP3A).
- Drug interactions as CsA.
- T cell specific CNI.

(Kamdem et al., Clin Chem, 2009)

Immunosuppression: CNIs





II. Mechanism of action

□ mTOR:

- Inhibits, IL2, 4, 5, 6,7 and 15.
- Blocks cell cycle progression at G1 phase.
- Inhibits proliferation of B and T lymphocytes.
- Decreases IgG, IgM, IgA production through inhibiting IL6 effect on antibody producing cells.

(Shah et al., Transplantation, 2012)



II. Mechanism of action

□mTOR:

- Decreases Cyclic AMP induced late gene transcription.
- Inhibits one or more phosphatases or kinases.
- Limited effects on cytokine production.

(Shah et al., Transplantation, 2012)



II. Mechanism of action

□ Mizoribine:

- **Inhibits IMDH.**
- **Depleting guanine ribonucleotides.**
- **Selective inhibition of T lymphocyte proliferation.**
- **Used in Japan and not approved in North America.**
- **Similar efficacy and safety to MPA combined with Tac.**
- **Significantly high uric acid levels.**

(Ju et al., Transplant Proc, 2013)



II. Mechanism of action

□ Leflunomide:

- Has immunosuppressive and antiviral properties.
- Used in resistant CMV, BKVN, renal transplant with CAD.
- May provide to eradicate CMV, BK.
- Not recommended as first line agent instead of MPA, SIR.

(Chon and Josepson, Expert Rev Clin Immunol, 2011)



II. Mechanism of action

□ Belatacept:

- Fusion protein binds B_7 molecule on the surface of APC.
- Costimulation blockade of CD_{28} - B_7 .
- Inhibits cell mediated and humoral immune response in vivo.

(Vincent et al., NE J M, 2005)

Immunosuppression



III. Drug Interactions



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CURRENT AND FUTURE IMMUNOSUPPRESSIVE THERAPIES FOLLOWING TRANSPLANTATION

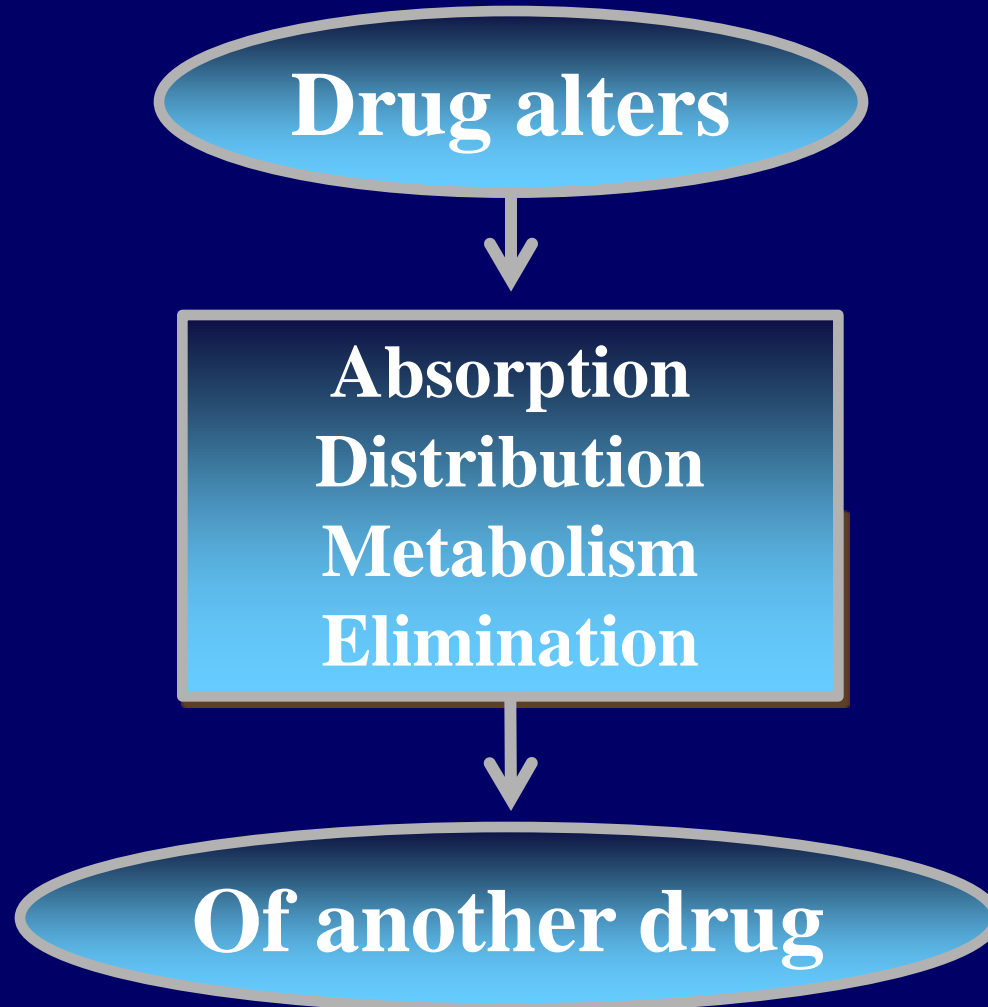
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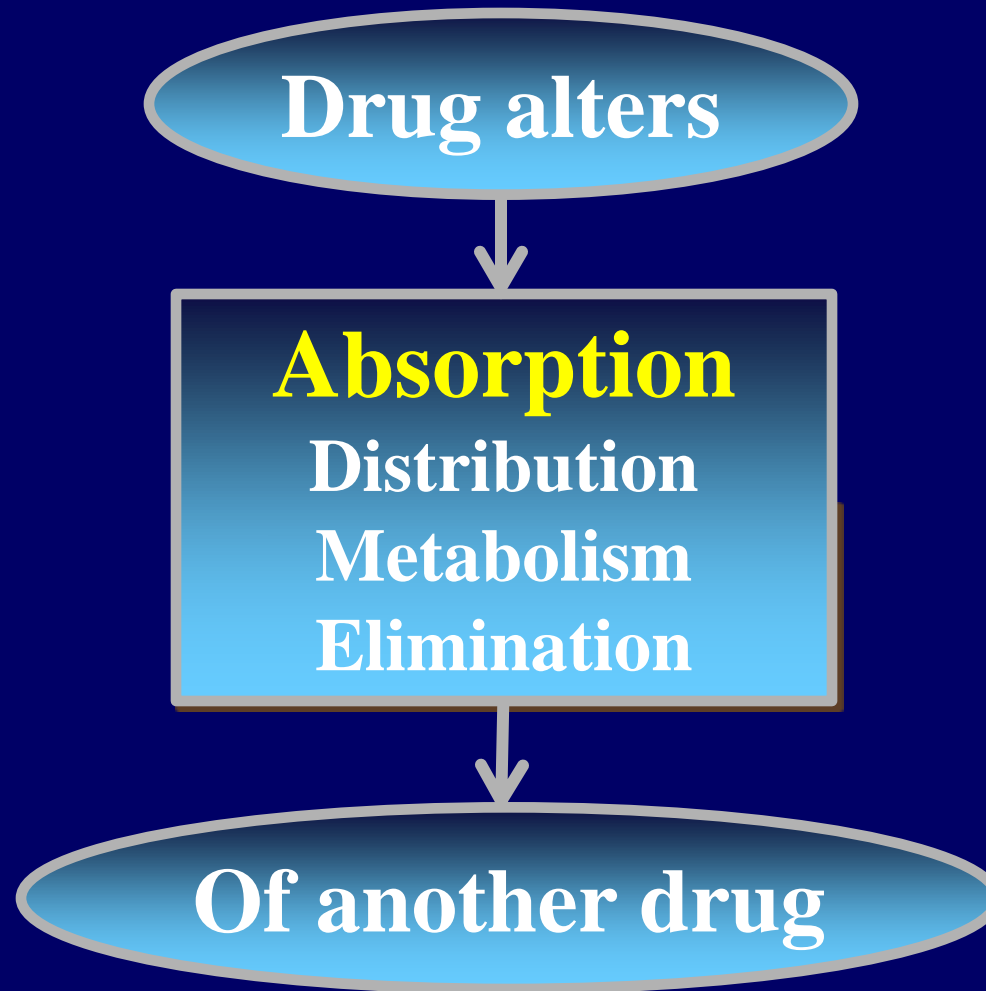
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III. Drug Interactions

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III. Drug Interactions

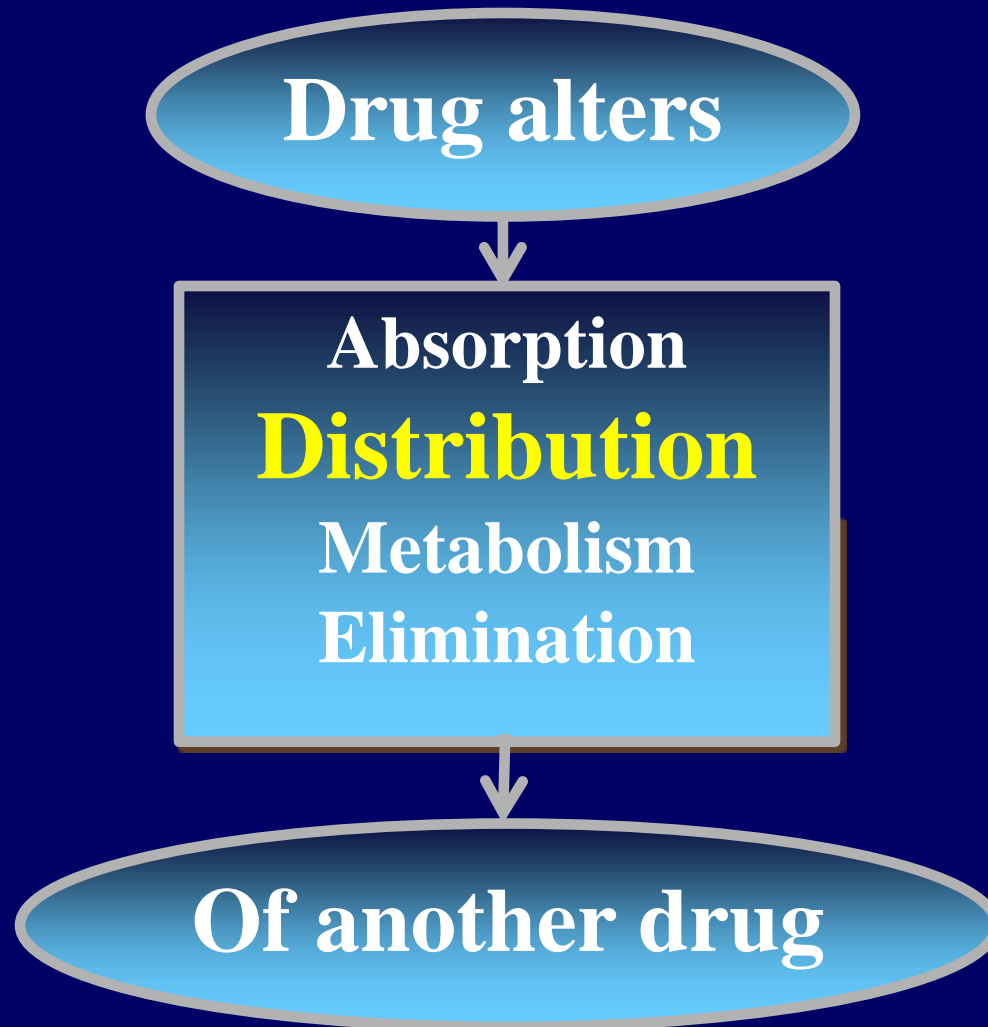
- **Gut metabolism.**
- **Alteration in active transport.**
- **Changes in intestinal motility.**
- **Chelation.**

(Gelone et al., Pharmacotherapy, 2007)



III. Drug Interactions

A) Pharmacokinetic interaction:





III. Drug Interactions

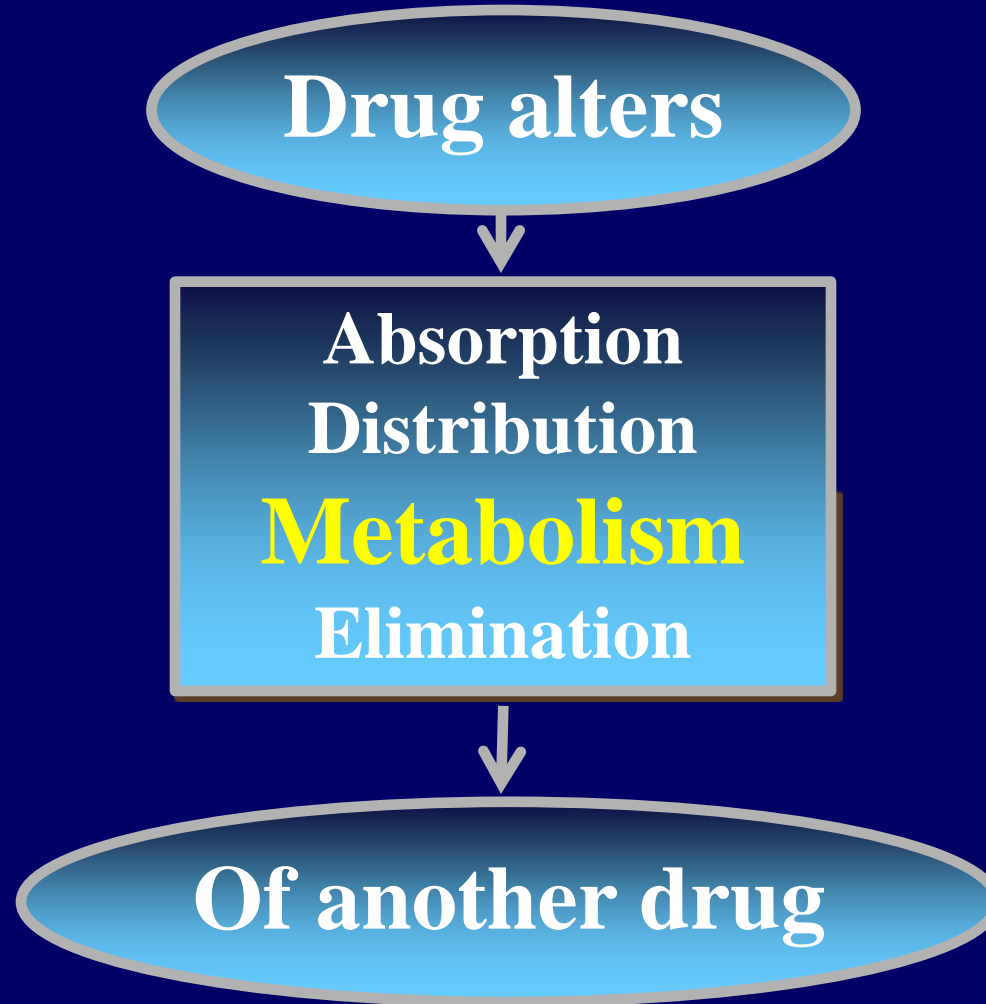
- **Drugs with high protein bound.**
- **Drug can be displaced from its binding site by another drug with greater affinity to that site .**
- **Raise the free concentration of displaced drug.**
- **MPA with 97% bound to albumin as example**
- **Clinical relevance is minor**

(Lynch and Price, Am Fam Physicians 2007)



III. Drug Interactions

A) Pharmacokinetic interaction:





III. Drug Interactions

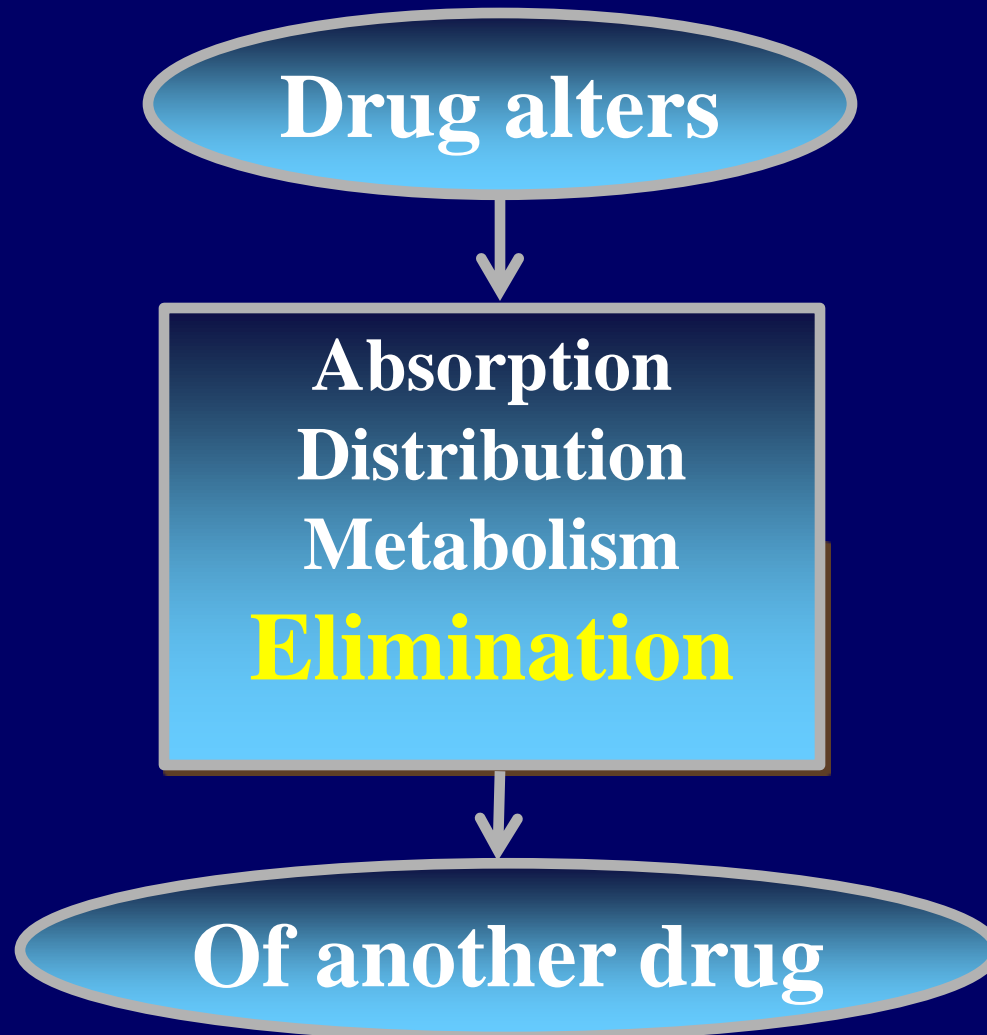
- **Drug becomes more water soluble that can be more easily eliminated.**
- **CsA, Tac and SIR are substrates of CYP3A isoenzyane system.**
- **There are inhibitory or inducing interactions.**
- **Allopurinol – Aza interaction is not mediated through CYP.**

(Baroletti et al., Prog Transplant, 2004)



III. Drug Interactions

A) Pharmacokinetic interaction:





III. Drug Interactions

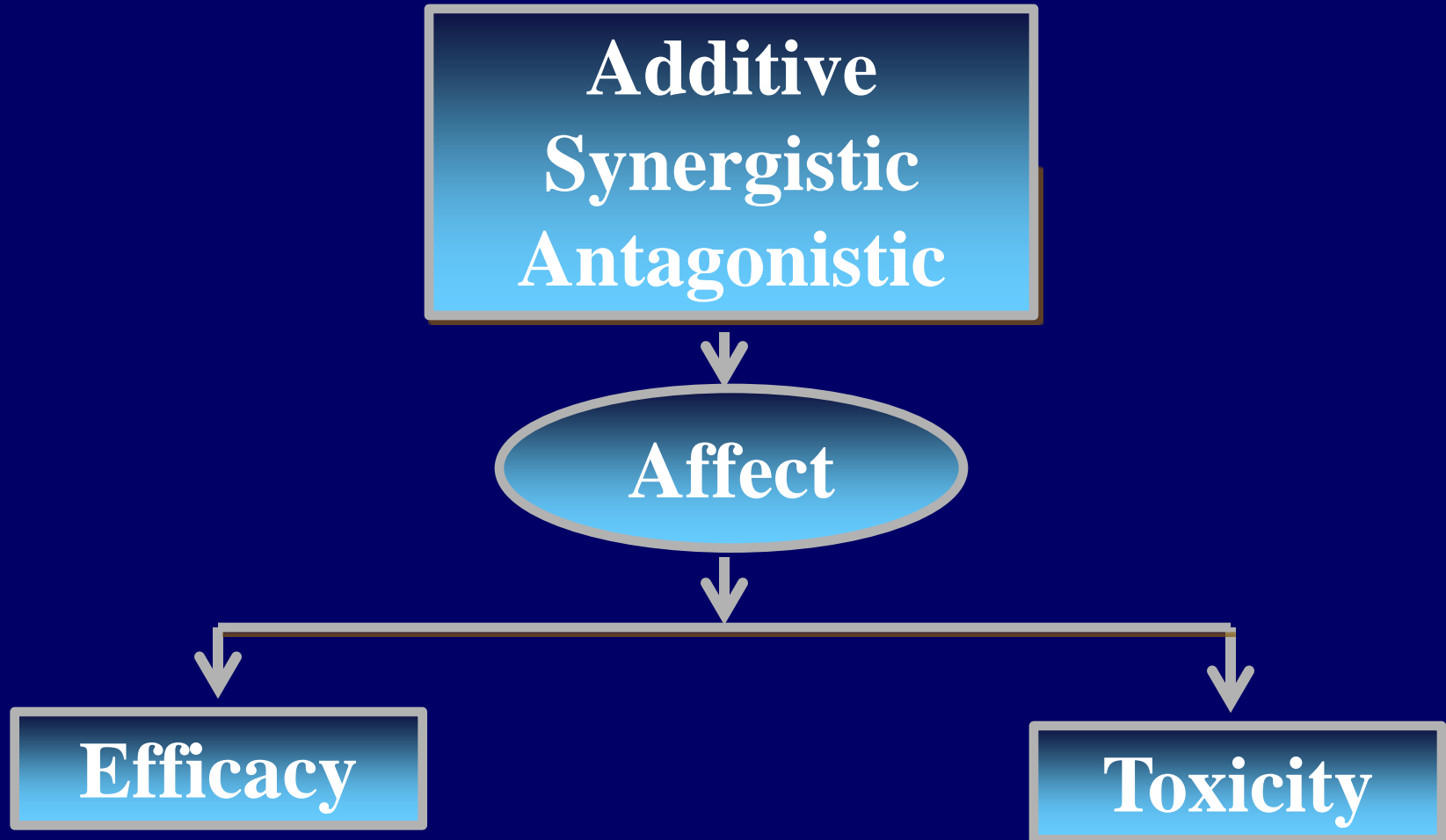
- **Few interactions**
- **Major interaction example involves MPA**
- **Several medications interfere with biliary excretion of MPA glucuronide eliminating reabsorption and lowering overall exposure.**

(Gabardi et al., Ann Pharmacother, 2003)



III. Drug Interactions

B) Pharmacodynamic interaction:





III. Drug Interactions

b) Pharmacodynamic interaction:

- Common when multiple drugs are utilized with different modes of actions.
- May be problematic when drugs with similar adverse events are used concomitantly.
- Examples aminoglycoside, Amphotericin B and NSAID .
- Potentiate nephrotoxicity of CNIs

(Gabardi et al., Ann Pharmacother, 2003)

Immunosuppression



Port Said

IV. Trends



Immunosuppression Rings of the chain





IV- Trends

Ring I

Prospective Randomized Study Of Azathioprine Versus Cyclosporine In living Donors Kidney Transplantation.

- **No. of patients** : 112.
- **GI : 54 recipients** : P +Aza.
- **GII : 58 recipients** : P +CsA.
- **Follow up Range** : 3-6 Years
Mean : 50 ± 8 M

(Mansoura Team, Am J Nephrol , 1993 ;13 (6): 437)



IV- Trends

Ring I

- *No significant difference in:*
 - Graft survival.
 - Patient survival.
 - Overall frequency of AR.
- *But higher:*
 - S. creatinine at 1, 12, 24 M. in GII.
 - Number of patients had ≥ 2 AR in GI.

(Mansoura Team, Am J Nephrol, 1993; 13 (6): 437)



IV- Trends

Ring I

- *Results at 15 years:*
 - *Comparable graft survival.*
 - *No difference in:*
 - *Graft function.*
 - *Rejection frequency.*
 - *Malignancy.*
 - *Hepatic dysfunction.*

(Mansoura Team, Saudi J Kidney Dis Transpl, 2008; 19(4): 564)





IV- Trends

Ring II

Prospective Randomized Study Of Triple Vs Conventional Immunosuppression In living Donors Kidney Transplantation.

- **No. of patients: 100.**
- **Group I : P +Aza + CsA.**
- **Group II : P +Aza.**
- **Follow up :**
 - **Range 20-43 M.**
 - **Mean 32±10 M.**

(Mansoura Team, Transplant Proc , 1993; 25 (3) : 2243)



IV- Trends

Ring II

- *No significant difference in:*
 - Patient and graft survival at 1, 3Y.
 - S. Creatinine along follow up period.
 - Frequency of acute rejection.
 - Post transplant complications:
 - HTN, DM.
 - Kaposi's sarcoma.
 - Chronic rejection/IFTA.

(Mansoura Team, Transplant Proc , 1993; 25 (3) : 2243)



Immunosuppression Rings of the chain



IV- Trends and Trials

Ring III

**Cyclosporine Neoral In Renal Transplant
Recipients: Impact On Hepatic
Dysfunction.**

(Transplant Proc , 1997; 29 (7): 2939)



IV- Trends

Ring III

- **Conversion from CsA to Neoral.**
 - **400 patients:**
 - GI** : 300 patients had normal LFT.
 - GII** : 100 patients had liver dysfunction.

(Mansoura Team, Transplant Proc , 1997; 29 (7): 2939)



IV- Trends

Ring III

- The non hepatic group showed comparable parameters before and after conversion.
- The CsA dose reduction was:
 - 16% in hepatic group.
 - 10% in non hepatic group.

(Mansoura Team, Transplant Proc, 1997; 29 (7): 2939)



Immunosuppression Rings of the chain



IV- Trends

Ring IV

**Coadministration Of Ketoconazole To
Cyclosporine Treated Kidney Transplant
Recipients: Prospective Randomized
Study : 10 Years Results.**

(Transplantation, 2004; 77 (9): 1371)



IV- Trends

Ring IV

- **Recipients on P+ CsA + Aza.**
- **Prospective randomized trial:**
 - GI : Keto (50 patients).**
 - GII : Control (50 patients).**
- **Ten years follow up period.**

(Mansoura Team, Transplantation, 2004; 77 (9): 1371)



IV- Trends

Ring IV

- Similar : Hepatotoxicity.
- : Metabolic complications.
- Control group :
 - Frequent AR (27% Vs 22%, P: 0.27).
 - Poor response to antirejection therapy.
 - *More fungal infection (60% Vs 6.6%, P: 0.001).*
 - *More IFTA (46% Vs 11%, P: 0.001).*

(Mansoura Team, Transplantation, 2004; 77 (9): 1371)



IV- Trends

Ring IV

- **Low dose keto to CsA treated recipients:**
 - **Saves cost.**
 - **Favorable:**
 - **Fungal skin infection.**
 - **Chronic graft nephropathy.**
- **Recent ketoconazole awareness.**

(Mansoura Team, Transplantation, 2004; 77 (9): 1371)





IV- Trends

Ring V

**Rescue Immunosuppressive Therapy In
Living Related Renal Allotransplant: A Long
Term Prospective Randomized Evaluation.**

(Exp Clin Transplant, 2008; 6(1): 48)



IV- Trends

Ring V

Rescue Options

Shift from Aza to MPA

OR

Shift from CsA to Tac



IV- Trends and Trials

Ring V

- *MPA:*
 - Salvage for patients suffered from creeping creatinine.
 - Shift to MPA was associated with improved liver functions in patients suffering from hepatic dysfunction.

(Mansoura Team, Exp Clin Transplant, 2008; 6(1): 48)



IV- Trends

Ring V

- *Tacrolimus:*
 - Potent rescue therapy.
 - Indicators for successful rescue :
 - Time to conversion.
 - S. Creatinine at conversion.
 - Good option in cases suffered from CsA adverse reactions.

(Mansoura Team, Exp Clin Transplant, 2008; 6(1): 48)



Immunosuppression Rings of the chain



IV- Trends

Ring VI

INDUCTION THERAPY

A. Basiliximab

B. Daclizumab

C. Bolus ATG

D. Alemtuzumab



IV- Trends

Ring VI A

**Basiliximab Reduces The Incidence Of Acute Cellular
Rejection In Live Related Donor Kidney**

Transplantation: Prospective Randomized Trial.

- *At 3 years : J Nephrol, 2003; 16 (3): 393*
- *At 5 years : Am J Nephrol, 2005; 25(3): 221*
- *At 10 years : Exp Clin Transplant, 2011; 9(4): 247*



IV- Trends and Trials

Ring VI B

Daclizumab Reduces The Incidence Of Acute Cellular Rejection In Live Related Kidney Transplantation, A Single Centre Experience.

(*Int Urol Nethrol*, 2007; 39: 317)



IV- Trends and Trials

Ring VI C

**Comparative Analysis Of Single Dose
Bolus Antithymocyte Globulin Among
Living Donor Renal Transplantation.**

(Int Urol Nethrol, 2008; 40: 515)



IV- Trends

Ring VI D

Alemtuzumab Preconditioning Allows Steroid-calcineurin Inhibitor-free Regimen in Live-donor Kidney Transplant

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Abstract

Objectives: This prospective study was designed to develop a steroid and calcineurin inhibitor-free regimen for kidney transplants using alemtuzumab.

Materials and Methods: A single dose of

Phase 2: Five patients developed successfully treated borderline changes with no antibody-mediated rejection. Mean serum creatinine was $114.9 \pm 17.7 \mu\text{mol/L}$. Currently, 17 patients are steroid-free and 15 of them are calcineurin inhibitor-free as well. In this phase, only 1 patient died with a

Experimental and Clinical Transplantation (2011) 5: 295-301



IV- Trends

Ring VI

□ Conclusion:

- Prophylactic induction is well tolerated and significantly reduces the incidence of acute rejection episodes after living donor renal transplantation.
- Up to 10 years follow up no impact on patients and graft survival was noticed.

(Int Urol Nephrol, 2007 ; 39: 317)



Immunosuppression Rings of the chain



IV- Trends

Ring VII

**Comparison Of mTOR With Low-Dose Tacrolimus
Versus mTOR-Based Calcineurin Inhibitor-Free
Regimen In Live Donors Renal Transplantation.**

- *At 2 years: Am J Transplant. 2005; 5 (10): 2531.*
- *At 5 years: JASN, 2008; 19(6): 1225.*
- *At 10 years: In press.*



IV- Trends and Trials

Ring VII

**Prospective Randomized Trial
Basiliximab Induction
mTOR Based
Steroids**

Randomization

**CNI
minimization**

Low dose Tac

GI

**CNI
avoidance**

Full dose MPA

GII



IV- Trends and Trials

Ring VII

- *Results at 5 years:*

- Better graft function among CNI free.
- No difference in patient and graft survival.
- Less changes in primary immunosuppression in CNI free (20% Vs 53%, $P=0.001$).

(Mansoura Team, J Am Soc Nephrol, 2008; 19(6): 1225)



IV- Trends

Ring VII

- *Results at 10 years:*

	Tac	MPA	P. value
* Mean follow up (years):	8.49±3.33	9.04 ±2.66	0.295
* <i>Secondary IS</i>	45 (69.2%)	22 (32.8%)	0.000

(Mansoura Team, In Press)



IV- Trends

Ring VII

- Results at 10 years:*

Results at 10 years	Tac	MPA	P value
Rapa dose (mg/day)	1.9479	1.9091	NS
Rapa level (ng/ml)	9.4680	10.2000	NS
FK dose (mg/day)	2.4516		
FK level (ng/ml)	5.4607		
MMF dose (gm/day)		1.3542	

(Mansoura Team, In Press)



IV- Trends

Ring VII

• *Results at 10 years:*

Results at 10 years	Tac	MPA
Hb (gm%)	12.9816	12.6709
WBC (cmm)	9.6449	8.6727
Platelets (cmm)	2.3816E2	2.4805E2
Bilirubin (mg%)	0.7044	0.7164
SGPT (IU/L)	31.9535	28.9036
SGOT (IU/L)	30.4651	29.8036
Cholesterol (mg%)	178	192

(Mansoura Team, In Press)



IV- Trends

Ring VII

• Results at 10 years:

Adverse Events	Tac	MPA	P value
Hypertension	30(63.8%)	41(80.3%)	0.127
Diabetes Mellitus	19 (40.4%)	15 (29.4%)	0.252
Chronic IFTA	17(36.1%)	14(27.4%)	
Mild	11	11	0.456
Moderate	6	3	
Proteinuria:	14 (29.7%)	18 (35.2%)	
< 1 gm/day	5	8	0.750
1-3 gm/day	7	7	
≥ 3gm/day	2	3	

(Mansoura Team, In Press)



IV- Trends

Ring VII

• *Results at 10 years:*

Condition at last follow up:	Tac	MPA	P. value
- Living with functioning graft	47 (72.3%)	51 (76.1%)	0.082
- Died with functioning graft	6 (9.2%)	1 (1.5%)	
- Living on dialysis	12 (18.4%)	12 (17.9%)	
- Died on dialysis	--	3 (4.5%)	

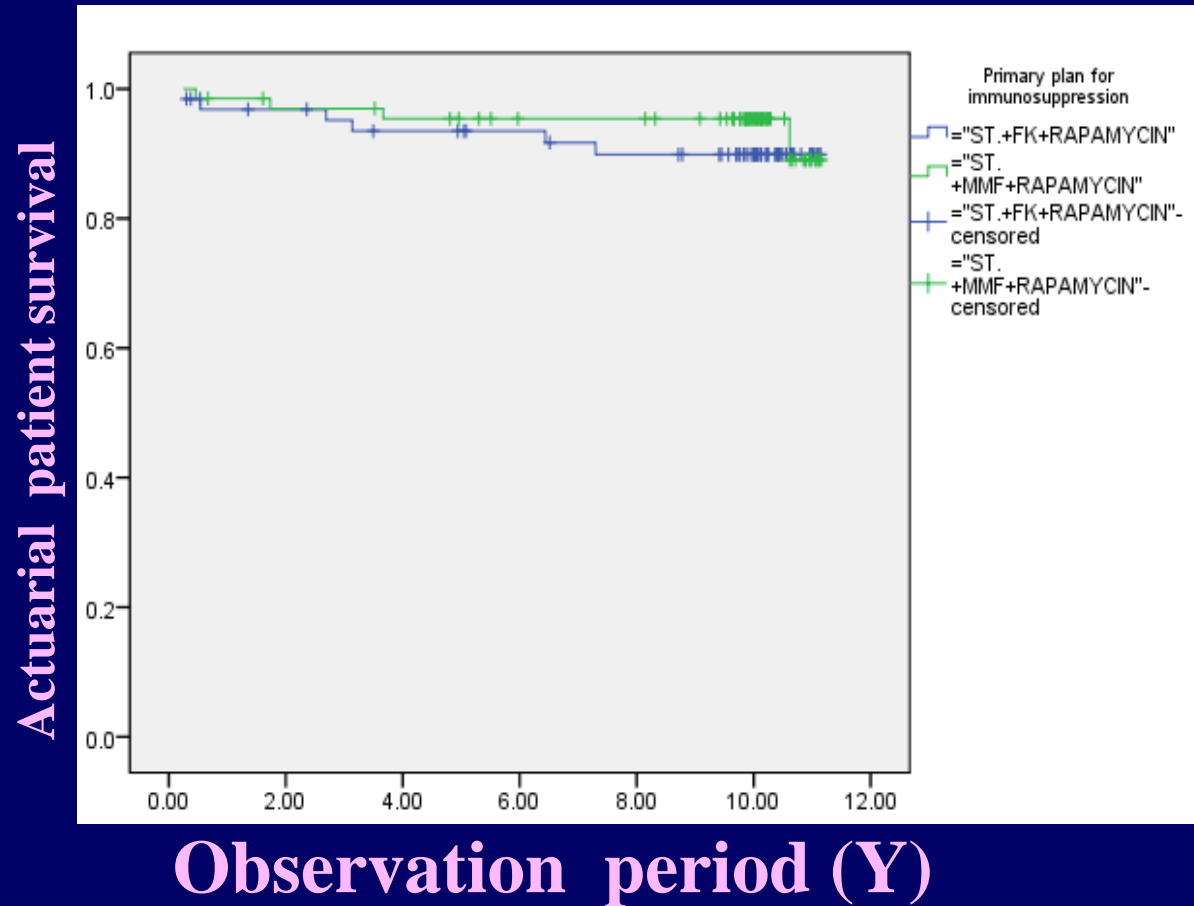
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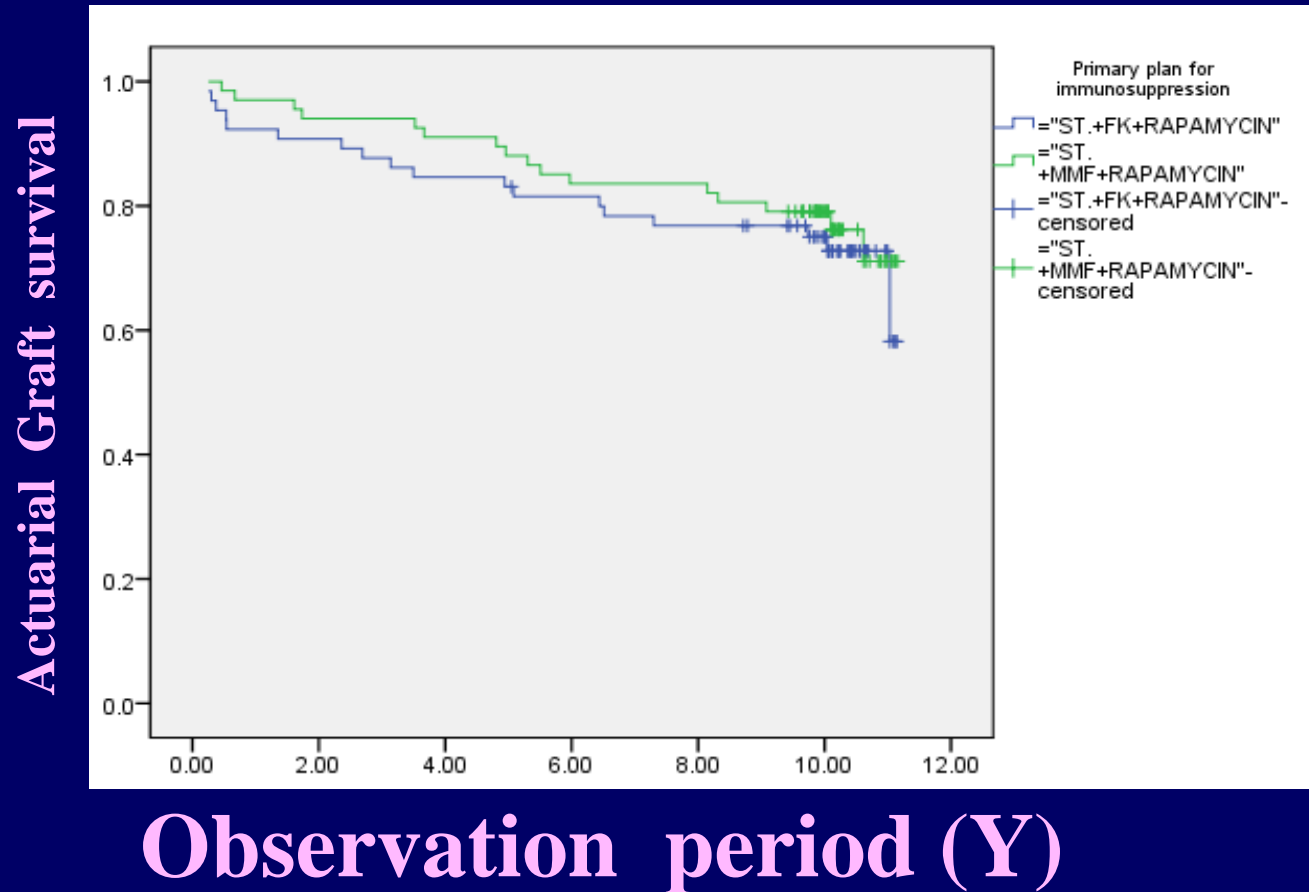
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Ring VII

- *Results at 10 years:*



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IV- Trends

Ring VII

- **Conclusion:**
 - CNI free regimen (SIR + MMF + P) after induction therapy has proven to be both safe and effective.
 - To the best of our knowledge this study is the longest term prospective randomized study for SIR based therapy among living donor renal transplants.

(Mansoura Team, In Press)



Immunosuppression Rings of the chain



IV- Trends

Ring VIII

**Steroid Avoidance In Low Risk Recipients Of
Renal Allograft Is Feasible, Safe And Carries
Fewer Morbidities.**

(Exp Clin Transplant, 2007; 5(2): 673)



IV- Trends

Ring VIII

- **100 patients:**

All : Simulect + Tac+ MPA.

GI : steroids for 3 days only.

GII : Maintenance steroids.

- **Median follow up was 12 M.**

(Mansoura Team, Exp Clin Transplant, 2007; 5(2): 673)



IV- Trends

Ring VIII

- Patient and graft survival rates were 100%.
- Comparable S. Creatinine values, AR episodes and CADI score of one year protocol biopsy.
- **Among Steroid Free Group:**
 - Less DM (4% Vs 16%, P: 0.037).
 - Less weight gain (6% Vs 15%, P: 0.001).
 - Less hypertension (4% Vs 24%, P: 0.009).

(Mansoura Team, Exp Clin Transplant, 2007; 5(2): 673)



IV- Trends

Ring VIII

- *Results at 10 years:*

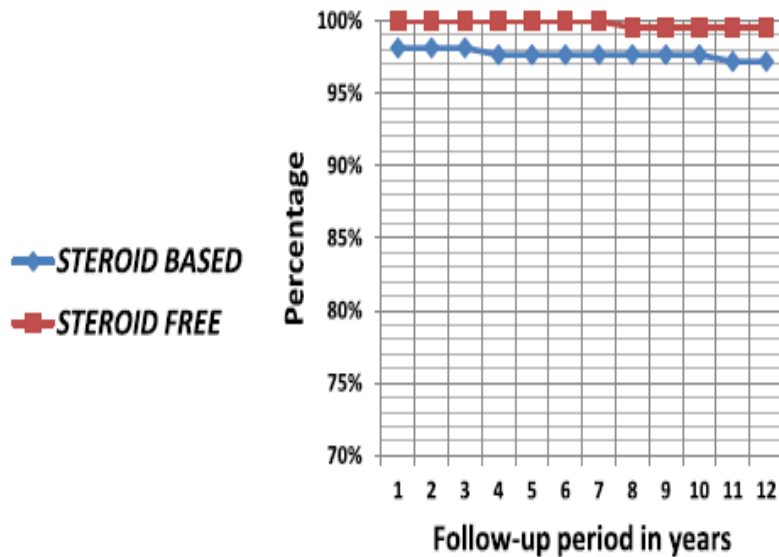


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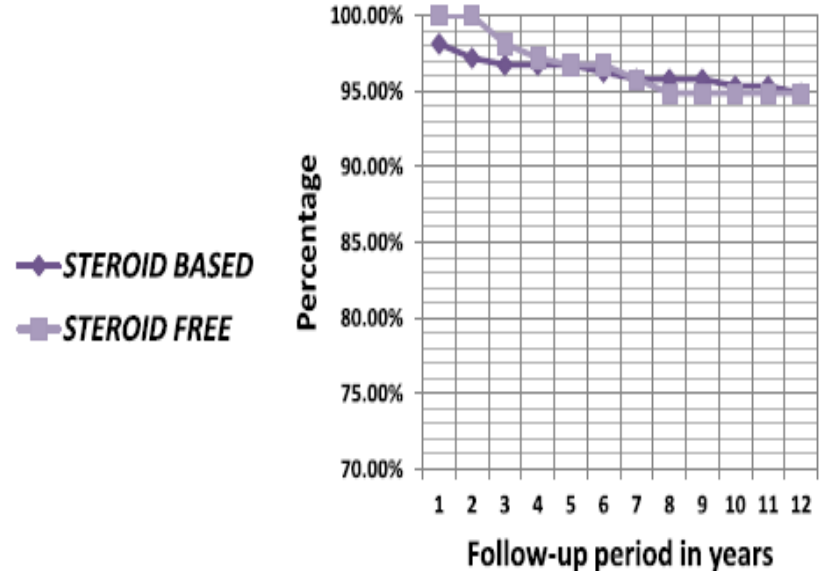


Fig 2. Graft survival.

(Mansoura Team, Transplant Proc, 2015; 47, 1099)



IV- Trends

Ring VIII

- *Results at 10 years:*
 - Among low-immunological-risk recipients of living-donor renal transplants, steroid avoidance was:
 - Feasible, safe, and had less morbidity.
 - Associated with a lower total cost despite comparable immunosuppression cost, which was attributed to the lower cost of associated morbidities.
- (Mansoura Team, Transplant Proc, 2015; 47, 1099)*



Immunosuppression Rings of the chain



IV- Trends

Ring IX

**The Efficacy Of CNI Free, Steroid Free
Immunosuppression Protocol And Its Role
In Tolerance Induction Using mTOR
Inhibitor: Prospective, Randomized,
Controlled Study.**



IV- Trends

Ring IX

- Comparing the efficacy of CNI-free steroid free protocol against CNI-based regimen.
- Assessing the role of mTOR inhibitors “Rapamycin” in induction of tolerance.

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IV- Trends

Ring IX

- *Exclusion criteria :*
 - Re-transplanted.
 - PRA > 10% class I and II.
 - BMI > 32 kg/m².
 - Historically positive cross-match.

(In Progress)



IV- Trends

Ring IX

- *Avoidance Study:*
 - Basiliximab at day 0, 4.
 - Steroids for 1 week.
 - Tacrolimus for 3 months.
 - Randomization:
 - **GI:** continue Tac.
 - **GII:** convert to mTOR .

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Ring IX

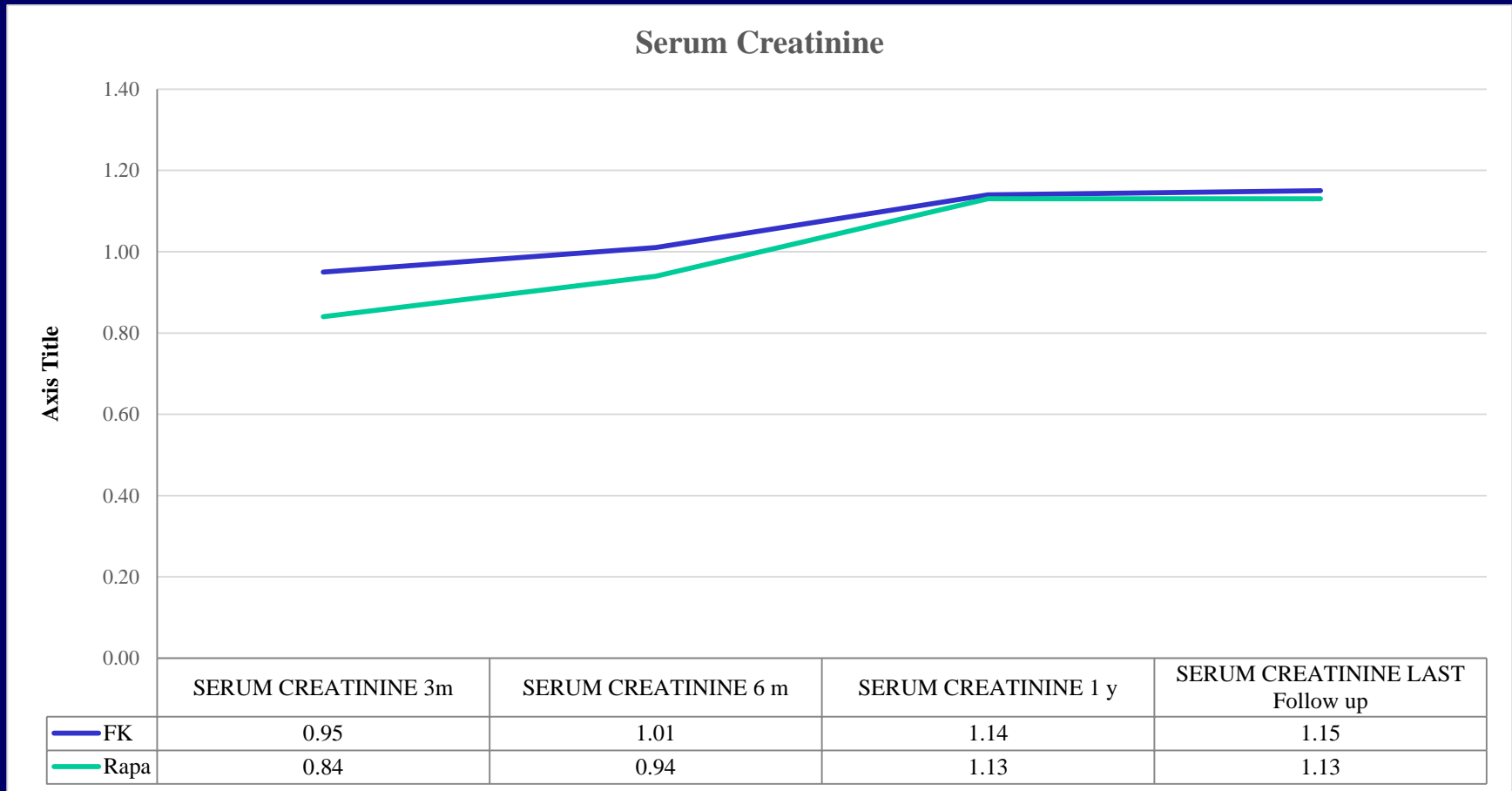
- *Immunologic work up:*
 - T-reg cells (CD4⁺, CD25⁺, FoxP3⁺).
- *Histopathologic work up:*
 - Implantation biopsy.
 - Randomization biopsy.
 - Protocol biopsy.

(In Progress)



IV- Trends

Ring IX



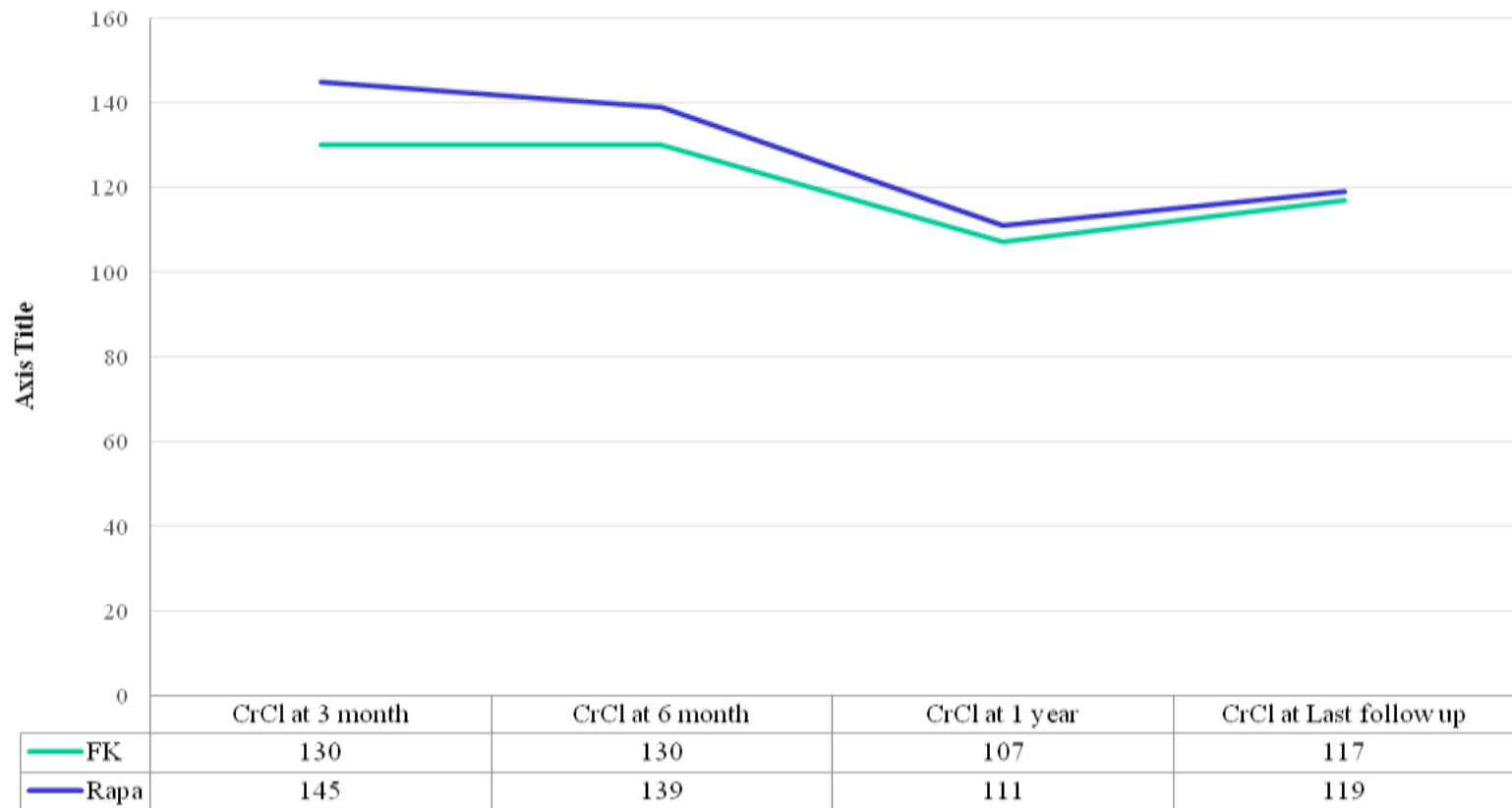
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Ring IX

Serial Creatinine clearance for both groups



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Ring IX

At 12 month	(Tac group)	(SIR group)	P value
S cholesterol (mg/dl)	155.5±37.4 (97- 213)	211.45± 36.7 (154-279)	0.012
Hemoglobin (gm/dl)	11.25±1.5 (9 -13)	10.9±1.5 (9 - 13)	0.37
Fasting plasma glucose (mg/dl)	98±10.8 (80- 107)	92± 12.88 (82- 113)	0.5
White cell count (/Cmm)	5.2± 2.2 (4.5-9.5)	4.8±2.3 (4-8.9)	0.38
Platelet count (/Cmm)	205± 45 (180-285)	185±35 (172-280)	0.3

(In Progress)



Immunosuppression Rings of the chain



IV- Trends

Ring X

**Transform: A Novel Study Design To
Evaluate The Effect Of Everolimus On
Long- Term Outcomes After Kidney
Transplantation.**

(Open Access Journal of Clinical Trials, 2014;6: 45)



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Ring X

- **Started June, 4th 2014.**
- **Completed July, 28th 2015.**
- **25 patients:**
 - **EVR arm 15 patients.**
 - **Control arm 10 patients.**

(Mansoura Team, Transform Study)

Immunosuppression

Mansoura at Night



V. At The End



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- Start combination of IS before or at time of renal transplantation [1A].
- Induction therapy [1A].
 - a) First line IL2R A [1B].
 - b) ATG for high risk [2B].
- Maintenance IS: CNI + antiproliferative \pm P [1B].

(KDIGO, Am J Transplant,



V. At The End

- MMF as first line antiproliferative [2B].
- mTOR use after graft functions [1B].
- Lowest doses IS after 2-4 M if no AR [2C].
- Continue CNI rather than withdrawan [2B].
- Continue P rather than withdrawn [2C].
- In CNI toxicity reduce, withdraw, replace CNI [2C].
- If GFR > 40 ml/min, proteinuria < 500 mg/d, replace to mTOR [2D].

(KDIGO, Am J Transplant, 2009)



V. At The End

No IS

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Optimal IS

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Tolerance

Effective (prevent AR)



Lower rates of SCR



Reserve renal function



Preserve histology



Non nephrotoxic



Acceptable adverse reactions



Selective action



Low CAN/ IFTA



V. At The End

- Novel immunosuppressive agents over last two decades

Beside

- Improvement of diagnostic tools for early detection of antibody mediated injury

Allow

- Better match the immunosuppression needs

Potential for

- Personalized medicine

One size did not fit all

(Zsom et al., WJT, 2015)



V. At The End

*** Pipelines**





V. At The End

*** Tailoring of Immunosuppression**





V. At The End

Final Chapter



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Immunosuppression

Thank You

Red Sea- Island of Salahadin

